

Phil 201- Introduction to Western Philosophy

Spring 2010 * MWF 11:00 – 11:50 am

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All reading assignments are from *Philosophic Classics: From Plato to Derrida*Graded Components

Exam 1	25%
Exam 2	20%
Exam 3	25%
Term Paper	20%
Class Participation	10%

No	Date	Discussion	Readings
01	Jan 11	Course overview and expectations	See syllabus and course schedule
02	Jan 13	Aristotle (384-322 BCE)— Naturalism	Aristotle introduction, pp. 125-7 <i>Physics</i> , Book II: 192b10-200b8, pp. 129- 40
03	Jan 15	Aristotle	<i>Metaphysics</i> , Book I: 980a23–993a11, Book XII: 1071b3–1075a12, pp. 140-56
**	Jan 18	No class—holiday	
04	Jan 20	Aristotle	<i>On the Soul</i> ,
05	Jan 22	<u>Mock Quiz No. 1- Aristotle</u> Anselm (1033-1109)— Arguments for God’s Existence	Anselm introduction, pp. 300-1 <i>Proslogion</i> and debate with Gaunilo, pp. 302-8
06	Jan 25	Anselm, cont’d. Aquinas (1225-1274) Arguments for God’s Existence	Aquinas introduction, pp. 323-6 <i>Summa Theologica</i> , pp. 327-31
07	Jan 27	Aquinas, cont’d.	
08	Jan 29	<u>Mock Quiz No. 2- Anselm & Aquinas</u> Rene Descartes (1596-1650)— Rationalism	Descartes introduction, pp. 373-6 <i>Meditations</i> I-II, pp. 384-92
09	Feb 1	Descartes	<i>Meditations</i> III-IV, pp. 392-404
10	Feb 3	Descartes	<i>Meditations</i> V, pp. 404-8
11	Feb 5	<u>Mock Quiz No. 3- Descartes</u> Berkeley (1685-1753)— Idealism	Berkeley introduction, pp. 623-5 <i>Three Dialogues Between Hylas and Philonous</i> , First Dialogue, pp. 626-34
12	Feb 8	Berkeley	<i>Three Dialogues</i> , First Dialogue, pp. 634-650
13	Feb 10	Berkeley	<i>Three Dialogues</i> , Second Dialogue, pp. 650-62
14	Feb 12	<u>Mock Quiz No. 4- Berkeley</u> Review for Exam 1	See review handout
**	Feb 13 Sat	Optional Review Session for Exam 1 Staff Library Classroom, 10 – 11 am	See review handout

15	Feb 15	<u>Exam No. 1</u>	
**	Feb 17	No class—instructor out of town	
**	Feb 19	No class—instructor out of town	
17	Feb 22	David Hume (1711-1776)— Empiricism	Hume introduction, pp. 685-7 <i>An Enquiry Concerning Human Understanding</i> II-IV, pp. 694-705
18	Feb 24	Hume	<i>Human Understanding</i> V, pp. 705-13; VII, pp. 714-23
19	Feb 26	Hume	See handout on Hume's utilitarian ethics
20	Mar 1	<u>Mock Quiz No. 5- Hume</u> Immanuel Kant (1724-1804)— Kantian Metaphysics	Kant introduction, pp. 777-9 <i>Prolegomena to Any Future Metaphysics</i> , Introduction and Sections 1-3, pp. 781-90
21	Mar 3	Kant	<i>Prolegomena</i> , Sections 6-26, pp. 794-811
22	Mar 5	<u>Mock Quiz No. 6- Kant</u> Kantian Ethics	<i>Grounding of the Metaphysics of Morals</i> , Preface and First Section, pp. 853-63
23	Mar 8	Kant	<i>Morals</i> , Second Section, pp. 863-85
24	Mar 10	<u>Mock Quiz No. 7- Kant</u> John Stuart Mill (1806-1873)— Utilitarian Ethics	Mill introduction, pp. 921-3 <i>Utilitarianism</i> , Chapters 1-2, pp. 924-40
25	Mar 12	Mill	<i>Utilitarianism</i> , Chapter 3, pp. 940-4
26	Mar 15	<u>Mock Quiz No. 8- Mill</u> Epictetus (50-130)— Stoicism	Epictetus introduction, pp. 237-8 <i>Enchiridion</i> , pp. 239-49
27	Mar 17	St. Augustine (354-430)— Christianity	Augustine introduction, pp. 265-7 <i>Confessions</i> , pp. 268-83
28	Mar 19	<u>Mock Quiz No. 9- Epictetus & Augustine</u> Review for Exam No. 2	See review handout
**	Mar 20 Sat	<i>Optional Review Session for Exam 2</i> <i>Staff Library Classroom, 10 – 11 am</i>	<i>See review handout</i>
29	Mar 22	<u>Exam No. 2</u>	
30	Mar 24	Plato (428-348 BCE)— The Republic	Plato introduction, pp. 3-6 <i>The Republic</i> , Books I-II, pp. 59-74
31	Mar 26	Plato	<i>The Republic</i> , Books III-IV, pp. 74-100
**	Mar 29	No class- Spring Break	
**	Mar 31	No class- Spring Break	
**	Apr 2	No class- Spring Break	
32	Apr 5	Plato	<i>The Republic</i> , Books V-VII, pp. 100-124

33	Apr 7	<u>Mock Quiz No. 11- Plato</u> Thomas Hobbes (1588-1679)— Social Contract Theory	Hobbes introduction, pp. 421-3 <i>Leviathan</i> I, pp. 424-49
34	Apr 9	Hobbes	cont'd.
35	Apr 12	Hobbes	<i>Leviathan</i> II, pp. 449-62
36	Apr 14	<u>Mock Quiz No. 12- Hobbes</u> Jean-Jacques Rousseau (1712-1778)— Social Contract Theory	Rousseau introduction, pp. 765-7 <i>On the Social Contract</i> , pp. 768-76
37	Apr 16	Rousseau	cont'd.
38	Apr 19	<u>Mock Quiz No. 13- Rousseau</u> Karl Marx (1818-1883)— Communism	Marx introduction, pp. 986-9 <i>Economic Manuscripts</i> , pp. 989-1007
39	Apr 21	Marx	<i>The Communist Manifesto</i> , pp. 998-1007
40	Apr 23	<u>Mock Quiz No. 14- Marx</u> Existentialism: Soren Kierkegaard (1813-1855), Friedrich Nietzsche (1844-1900), Jean-Paul Sartre (1905-1980), and Simone de Beauvoir (1908-1986)	See handout
41	Apr 26	Existentialism	See handout
42	Apr 28	Course evaluations <u>Mock Quiz No. 15- Existentialism</u> Review for Exam No. 3	See review handout
43	Apr 30	Review for Exam	See review handout
**	May 1	<i>Optional Review Session for Exam 3</i> <i>Staff Library Classroom, 10 – 11 am</i>	<i>See review handout</i>
44	TBA	<u>Exam No. 3 (Final)</u>	